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## Historical Architecture Review Committee Minutes December 28, 2010

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Ron Laboray, called the meeting of the HARC Commission to Order at 5:10 PM awaiting one member to provide a quorum.

#### ATTENDANCE / ROLL CALL

Members Present were: Ron Laboray, Henry Gabriel, Paula Hagnauer and Terry Pierce (via teleconference). Excused absences: Eric Hill and Kim King.

Also present were: Alderman Dan McDowell and Assistant City Attorney Laura Andrews,

#### MINUTES & AGENDA

A motion to approve the Minutes from the November 23, 2010 meeting and the Agenda for this meeting was made by Paula Hagnauer and seconded by Henry Gabriel. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

#### CHAIR COMMENTS

Ron Laboray thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and announced the completion of the public art sculptures in HARC District and suggested everyone stop by to see them.

The Chair stated to the Petitioner that HARC is a recommending body to the City Council and they will have the final determination at the Council meeting scheduled on Tuesday, January 18, 2011.

## PETITIONER - The Good Samaritan House

Mary Kay Bonness introduced herself and Oden Rice, representatives of the Good Samaritan House. She explained the House is a shelter for homeless women and children. Their location is the old Roosevelt Bank Building located at 1825 Delmar Avenue. The front portion of the building was previously rented to Quick Labor, a temporary employment agency that is now out business. Their Petition request is to allow a re-sale shop in the front of the building, stating that would benefit both the Good Samaritan House and the Community. The Good Samaritan House is a 501C3, non-profit agency.

The Petitioners amended their Application/Checklist for Details and Requirements as follows: (Item 1). Days and hours of operation limited to 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Monday thru Saturday.

The Chair questioned signage and was informed by the Petitioners that they have considered a Sandwich Board type sign to read From Our House to Yours. Signage size and different types were discussed. The Chair stated a sign permit would have to be obtained from Steve Willaredt, the Inspections, Building & Zoning Administrator, with the approval of HARC.

The Chair called for further questions or comments. Henry Gabriel asked if (because they are non-profit) they are required to pay Real Estate Tax, and would they charge a Retail Sales Tax on items sold? Ms. Bonness responded with "yes" to both tax issues. No further comments.

MOTION by Henry Gabriel and seconded by Paula Hagnauer to approve the Petition to allow the establishment of a re-sale shop at Good Samaritan House located at 1825 Delmar Avenue. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Henry Gabriel introduced his idea of initiating a HARC Newsletter to be distributed to fast food chains and business locations throughout Granite City informing citizens of the concept of HARC: Examples included:

Permitted uses in the different districts?

Publicize locations available to buy or lease

Publish current events

List "wanted ads" for artists, musicians and craft-persons Establish a HARC museum and advertise the featured artist

Sell business card type Ads to create revenue for printing costs, etc

Create a yearly agenda of activities in Granite, such as Music Under the Stars, 4th of July

Publish editorial letters of artisan's accomplishments

Henry had made a draft of a newsletter on his home computer, but had printer problems. He will bring the draft to the next meeting.

The Chair agreed a newsletter would be a very positive approach and suggested posting it to the City website; along with the use of PDF e-mails, as being inexpensive and would reach many people.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None voiced.

Motion to Adjourn by Henry Gabriel and seconded by Paula Hagnauer. All ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by, Barbara Kawkins Secretary, HARC

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PETITIONER: The Good Samaritan House

Mary Kay Bonness 1825 Delmar Avenue

<u>MOTION</u> by Henry Gabriel and seconded by Paula Hagnauer to allow for the establishment of a re-sale shop at Good Samaritan House (formerly the Roosevelt Bank Building).

Voice Vote: All ayes.

Motion passed by unanimous consent.

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